



DOCKET NO: 216266US0

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :

YOSHIHIRO SHIGEMORI, ET AL.

: EXAMINER: KUHNS, A. R.

SERIAL NO: 09/988,145 :

FILED: NOVEMBER 19, 2001

: GROUP ART UNIT: 1732

FOR: PRODUCTION PROCESS OF NON-
FLYING PLASTIC MICROBALLOONS

: CONFIRMATION NO: 8166

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.312

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

DO NOT ENTER - NOT SIGNED QRK
5-12-04

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.312, Applicants respectfully call the Examiner's attention to the fact that while the Office Action dated December 10, 2003 indicates an Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO 1449, is attached thereto, no such form was attached. The Examiner was requested to attach said form with the next Office communication, in the amendment filed January 23, 2004. However, the Notice of Allowability does not contain said form. Accordingly, and in the event the uninitialed original of said form has been lost, and as only one IDS has been filed (on September 25, 2003), **enclosed herewith** is another copy of said uninitialed original form.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to initial the Form PTO 1449 submitted therewith or herewith, and mail a copy thereof to undersigned counsel.

Respectfully submitted,

OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND,
MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C.

Customer Number

22850

Tel: (703) 413-3000
Fax: (703) 413-2220

Norman F. Oblon
Attorney of Record
Registration No. 24,618

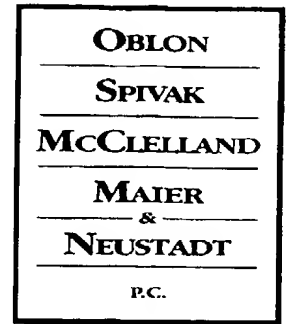
Harris A. Pitlick
Registration No. 38,779

COPY



Docket No.: 216266US0

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313



ATTORNEYS AT LAW

RE: Application Serial No.: 09/988,145
Applicants: Yoshihiro SHIGEMORI, et al.
Filing Date: November 19, 2001
For: PRODUCTION PROCESS OF NON-FLYING
PLASTIC MICROBALLOONS
Group Art Unit: 1732
Examiner: Kuhns, A. R.

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

Response under 37 CFR 1.312 w/attachment: copy of Form PTO-1449 filed September 25, 2003

Our check in the amount of _____ is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND,
MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C.

Norman F. Oblon

Registration No. 24,618

Customer Number

22850

(703) 413-3000 (phone)
(703) 413-2220 (fax)

Harris A. Pitlick

Registration No. 38,779

COPY



DSMM&N File No. 216266US0

Serial No. 09/988,145

In the matter of the Application of: Yoshihiro SHIGEMORI, et al.

For: PRODUCTION PROCESS OF NON-FLYING PLASTIC MICROBALLOONS

Dept.: Chemical

By: NFO/HAP/cja

Due Date: N/A

The following has been received in the U.S. Patent Office on the date stamped hereon

- Dep. Acct. Order Form
- PTO Cover Letter
- Response under 37 CFR 1.312 (with attachment: copy of Form PTO-1449 filed September 25, 2003)



COPY